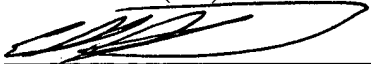


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RESPONSE TO SECOND (DUPLICATE) RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

A first Restriction Requirement was mailed by the Office on June 8, 2004 and indicated that the application contained two inventions: the Group I Claims 47-54 and the Group II Claims 55 and 56. In response, Applicants elected without traverse to proceed with the Group I claims, without prejudice or disclaimer of the non-elected claims, by a response filed via facsimile on July 7, 2004.

A second Restriction Requirement was received from the Office dated August 6, 2004 and appears to be a substantial duplicate of the first Restriction Requirement. The second Restriction Requirement also states that the application has two inventions: Group I - Claims 47-54, drawn to a wheel support, classified in class 280, subclass 281.1 and Group II - Claims 55 and 56, drawn to a method of manufacturing a wheel support, classified in class 29, subclass 592.

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In response to the second Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect without traverse to proceed with the examination on the merits of Group I - Claims 47-54, without prejudice or disclaimer of the non-elected claims.

Applicants respectfully submit that the foregoing is fully responsive to the Restriction Requirement. If, however, any undeveloped issue remains, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call Applicants' counsel at the number provided below in order to resolve such issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

In the communication from the Office dated June 8, 2004, the Examiner stated that the application has the following two inventions: Group I - Claims 47-54, drawn to a wheel support, classified in class 280, subclass 281.1 and Group II - Claims 55 and 56, drawn to a method of manufacturing a wheel support, classified in class 29, subclass 592.

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